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iii. ☐ Other _____

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
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Sir:

Enclosed, please find an executed PTO/SB/30 transmittal form for the filing of a request for continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. The applicant has also enclosed a petition for a one-month extension of time. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$375.00 in payment of the filing fee for the request for continued examination and a check in the amount of \$55.00 for payment of the fee for the one-month time extension. The applicant is a small entity. Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 10-0210.

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